Y2K Timeline

Many people believe that the critical date for the Y2K issue is January 1, 2000, yet most experts believe that fewer than one-third of any problems will manifest themselves then. Systems that project into the future (such as credit card dates or next personnel evaluation period) will experience Y2K situations before the rollover. Historical systems may experience Y2K situations long after the rollover, even into 2001 (when annual reviews kick in). The following timeline shows some key dates that may trigger Y2K awareness. The lesson is that you can't wait. The Y2K problem looms today.

1999	
January 1	First yearly projections into Year 2000
January 4	First business day yearly projections into Year 2000
March 1	Some corporate FY2000s start
March 31	OMB deadline for mission critical system remediation OMB deadline for non-mission critical system remediation
April 1	New York State, miscellaneous foreign FY2000s start
April 9	Short Julian days reach day 99 of year 99 (9999), potential "End-of" marker
July 1	Miscellaneous state and corporate FY2000s start First 6-month projections into Year 2000
September 9	Potential "End-of" marks (9/9/99 or 9999)
October 1	Federal, some state FY2000s start First quarterly projections into Year 2000
December 1	First monthly projections into Year 2000
December 25/26/27	First weekly projections into Year 2000
December 31	First daily projections into Year 2000
2000	
January 1	**Millennium Date Change** First daily look back into 1999 First weekly look back into 1999 (January 1-7) First biweekly look back into 1999 (January 1-14) First monthly look back into 1999 (January 1-31) First quarterly look back into 1999 (January 1-March 31) First 6-month look back into 1999 (January 1-June 30) First yearly look back into 1999 (January 1-December 31)
January 2	First daily look back into 2000
January 3	First Business Day after Millennium Date Change First business daily look back into 1999
January 4	First business daily look back into 2000
January 2-8	First weekly look back into 2000
January 2-15	First biweekly look back into 2000
January 6	First possible weekday mistaken for weekend day
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2000 (cont.)	
February 1	First monthly look back into 2000
February 29	Quadrennial Leap Year
April 1	First Quarterly look back into 2000 Possible false change to Daylight Savings Time (first Sunday in April 1900)
April 2	First change to Daylight Savings Time
July 1	First 6-month look back into 2000
October 1	First Federal look back into FY2000
December 31	366th day of the Year 2000 (for Julian date computations)
And Beyond...	
January 1, 2001	First yearly look back into 2000
July 1, 2002	First day of Euro-only transactions in the European Union
January 1, 2020	Excel 95 2-digit year window expires
January 1, 2030	Excel 98 2-digit year window expires
January 1, 2037	Rollover date for NTP systems
January 19, 2038	Overflow of UNIX systems
September 18, 2042	Overflow of IBM System/360